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SUBJECT: 32ND UNGA--THIRD COMMITTEE/ITEM 12, SWEDISH
PROPOSAL ON POLITICAL PRISONERS

REF: USUN 5074

1. ON THE BASIS OF LATEST DRAFT OF SWEDISH PROPOSAL AS
POUCHED TO DEPT BY USUN NOVEMBER 25, DEPT HAS FOLLOWING
COMMENTS:

A. THE PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH BEGINNING "RECOGNIZING THE
IMPORTANCE OF" APPEARS OUT OF PLACE SINCE IT SUGGESTS
THAT THE CATEGORIES OF PERSONS DESCRIBED IN THIS
PARAGRAPH SHOULD HAVE SPECIAL TREATMENT AS CONCERNS
RESPECT FOR THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS AS AGAINST OTHER CATEGORIES
OF PRISONERS. SINCE THE RESOLUTION'S PURPOSE IS TO FOCUS
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UPON THE SITUATION OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, DEPT SUGGESTS
THAT THIS PARAGRAPH IS OUT OF PLACE AND SHOULD BE OMITTED.

B. THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH BEGINNING "AWARE OF THE FACT
THAT" SHOULD, IN DEPT'S VIEW, RETAIN THE PHRASE "CONTRARY
TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS."
WITHOUT SUCH A PHRASE THE PARAGRAPH CONTAINS THE IMPLICA-

TION THAT HOLDING PERSONS FOR REASONS OF THEIR POLITICAL
OPINIONS OR CONVICTIONS IS A FACT OF LIFE WHICH THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SOMEHOW MUST ACCEPT.

C. AS CONCERNS THE SECOND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH, DEPT
WOULD PREFER THE OMISSION OF THE WORDS "EXAMINE PERIODIC-
ALLY THE POSSIBILITY OF RELEASING" SO THAT THE RESOLUTION
WOULD SIMPLY CALL FOR THE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS.

2. USDEL SHOULD STRESS TO THE SWEDISH DEL THAT OUR
OVERRIDING CONCERN ABOUT ANY RESOLUTION DEALING WITH
POLITICAL PRISONERS IS THAT IT AVOID ANY IMPLICATION THAT
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ACCEPTS IN ANY WAY THE
PRACTICE OF HOLDING SUCH PRISONERS. WE THINK THAT EQUAL
EMPHASIS SHOULD BE ON THEIR RELEASE RATHER THAN STRESSING
THE NEED TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF
SUCH PERSONS WHILE UNDER DETENTION. VANCE

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